Infiltration of Bangladeshis

†1015. SHRI R.B.S. VARMA:
DR. CHHATTARAPAL SINGH LODHA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a large scale intrusion of Bangladeshi citizens in the country;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of Bangladeshi citizens caught while crossing the border of the country during last three years; and

(d) the number of Bangladeshi citizens send back to their country during this period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) There has been illegal migration of Bangladeshi nationals into India. The main reasons of illegal migration are:

(i) Due to acute poverty in Bangladesh;

(ii) Porous and riverine Indo-Bangladesh border;

(iii) High density of population in Bangladesh; and

(iv) Cultural, religious, linguistic and ethnic similarities among the people living on either side of the border.

(c) and (d) During the years 2002, 2003 and 2004, 21,539 Bangladeshi nationals were intercepted/apprehended and 62,458 were deported to Bangladesh in this period.

Terrorist attack

†1016. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the district-wise and place-wise details of the States wherein terrorists attacked or planned to attack from 2002 till date year-wise, month-wise and date-wise alongwith the number of attacks;

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